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REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 15, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Claims 134-142, 144-148, 150-168 and 170-191 corresponding to Invention II, drawn to methods of fabricating transistors. Applicants have canceled Claims 129-133 corresponding to Invention I, drawn to methods of fabricating a passivation layer. This cancellation is being made without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application for these claims and/or other claims.

Applicants are not traversing the restriction requirement because Applicants agree that unpatentability of Invention I would not necessarily imply unpatentability of Invention II.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request favorable examination and allowance of Claims 134-142, 144-148, 150-168 and 170-191.

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